ling it by auction where actual users can also participate.

(b) No, Sir.

Recommendations of the High Powered Committee on Haldia Fertilizer Plant

766. DR. R. K. PODAR:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the recommendations of the High Powered Committee which had surveyed the Haldia fertilizer plant to find out the future course of action for it; and

(b) whether Government have accepted the above recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) Government has not appointed any High Powered Committee to recommend the future course of action for the Haldia Fertilizer Project. However, an end-to-end survey of the plant is to be undertaken, for which consultants are being appointed.

(b) Does not arise.

Natural Calamity in Jammu and Kashmir

767. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the heavy rains and floods have devastated houses and shops and damaged crops in Jammu and Kashmir during the month of June this year;

(b) whether the State Government has sent detailed report about the devastation caused by the natural calamity and the centre sent a team to make the assessment of this damage;

(c) how much immovable property has been damaged and crop damaged in Jammu and Kashmir, separately in two regions; and

(d) how much relief has been demanded by the State Government and the extent of amount sanctioned by the Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Government submitted a memorandum on 24-6-1987. A Central Team visited the State from 26th July, 1987 to make an assessment of the damage caused.

(c) The reported damages to immovable property and crops are as under:—

(Rs in crores)

	Jammu Division	Kashmir division
(i) Damage to immovable property :	1.82	22.21
(ii) Value of crop loss:	66·72	9.53

(d) The State Government has sought Rs. 100.30 crores as Central assistance to meet the expenditure on relief measures. Central assistance will be approved on receipt of the report of the Central Team.

Irrigation by Narmada Project

768. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the total acreage going to be irrigated by the Narmada Project;

(b) what will be the proportionate per acre capital cost for irrigation in Narmada Project; and

(c) whether Government are considering faster tempo for the construction of entire Narmada Project thereby curtailing the time period for completion of the project in view of its national importance?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The Narmada Sagar and Sardar Sarovar Projects envisage irrigation to 1.23 lakh hectares in Madhya Pradesh and 17.92 lakh hectares in Gujarat at an estimated cost of about Rs. 26 thousand and Rs. 19 thousand per hectare respectively. In Rajasthan, 0.73 lakh hectares can be irrigated at a cost of Rs. 48 thousand per hectare.

(c) The progress of construction will depend upon the funds made available during the plans.

Death of children due to consumption of adulterated food in Gujarat

769. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any inquiry into the death of some children due to consumption of food prepared by imported palmolein oil in Gujarat in March, 1986;

(b) if so, what are the findings thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware of such other incidents in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) The Government of Gujarat had conducted enquiries into this case. The Central Government have kept in constant touch with State Government.

The Kutch District Police registered a case under Section 304-A and 114 of Indian Penal Code against 9 persons alleged to be involved in this case who were arrested by the Police between 12th August, 1986, and 29th October, 1986. After completing investigation the Kutch District Police has submitted chargesheet against these persons.

The Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation, State Revenue Department and the Collector, Kutch, have also initiated departmental action against persons alleged to have been involved in this case.

The licence of M/s. M. J. International, whose mark was found on some of the contaminated barrels was suspended under clause 14 of the Insecticides Act. However, the suspension of the licence was revoked by the appellate authority i.e. State Directorate of Agriculture.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

'Q' Mark Pumpsets

770. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the vital difference in the standard and their enforcement between ISI and 'Q' mark pumpsets used for irrigation in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government of Gujarat has continued to recognise 'Q' mark for assistance at State level while NABARD and the Central Government have discontinued the previous assistance given to 'Q' mark;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government of Gujarat has opined that both the ISI and 'Q' mark pumpsets have same specification and efficiency; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons for not agreeing to Gujarat Government's opinion in favour of cheaper 'Q' mark pumpsets and ISI pumpsets are given preference which are produced by big manufacturers?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Under ISI (now B.I.S.) mark system there is appropriate me-